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and patent; sold 100 acres. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: between November 12 and November 26, 1750. PERSONAL PROPERTY: TEV, £3,172.9.12 current money (including 44 slaves, 61 oz. wrought silver, a set of surveyor's instruments, and books); FB, £2,116.19.0. LAND: ca. 5,571 acres in Somerset County and part interest in 1 lot in Princess Anne.

WILSON (WILLSON), GEORGE (ca. 1696-1748/ 49). BORN: ca. 1696, probably in Shrewsbury Parish, Kent County. NATIVE: second generation. RESIDED: at "Broad Oak," in Shrewsbury Parish, Kent County. FAMILY BACKGROUND. FATHER: James Wilson (?-1732), who immigrated from England and settled in Shrewsbury Parish; a merchant. MOTHER: Catherine. BROTHERS: James; John (?by 1748). SISTER: Mary, who married Thomas Woodland. MARRIED Mary, daughter of Philip Kennard (?-ca. 1739/40) and wife Sarah Drew. Her brothers were John (?-1743); Joseph; and Philip (?-by 1760). Her sister was Sarah. Mary was said to be "a lady of notable strength of mind and character." CHILDREN. SON: George, who resided at "Castle Cairy," and who married by 1744 Margaret Hall. DAUGHTERS: Mary, who married by 1750 Andrew Hynson; Sarah, who married Henry Bodeen; Frances, who married by 1754 William Woodland; Rachel, who married by 1760 William Downs (Dowres); Araminta (?-1760); Millison, who married Dr. William Rogers, a brother of the Hon. John Rogers, chancellor of Maryland. PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION: literate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Anglican, Shrewsbury Parish, Kent County, SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIV-ITIES: Gent., by 1732. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: planter. PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Lower House, Kent County, 1728-1731, 1732-1734, 1734/35-1737, 1738, 1739-1741 (Elections 1-3, Aggrievances Cv-3), 1742-1744 (Elections 1, Aggrievances 1, 2), 1745 (Elections, Aggrievances), 1745/46-1748 (Aggrievances 1). LOCAL OFFICES: church warden, Shrewsbury Parish, Kent County, 1725, 1726; Shrewsbury Parish Vestry, Kent County, 1726-1729; justice, Kent County, 1729-1732. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: 200 acres in Kent County (by deed of gift from father). SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH: purchased 270 acres in Kent County between 1730 and 1740; acquired 280 acres in Kent County by 1733; patented 1,045 acres in Kent County with a friend, with Wilson's share being 522 acres, 1740; sold 522 acres in 1743, and disposed of another 230 acres in 1747, all in Kent County. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: between November 1748 and March 4, 1748/49, in Kent County. PERSONAL PROPERTY: TEV, £1,103.13.1 current money (including 3 servants and 17 slaves, 2 old books, and a grist mill); FB, £666.2.6. One of his slaves, Prince Wiggins, was said to be of royal blood, an African king who was captured and sold while a prisoner of war. "The 'Prince' was not required to work, and lived to see four generations of his master's family." LAND: ca. 520 acres in Kent County.

WILSON (WILLSON), HENRY, JR. (by 1747-1800). BORN: either ca. 1744 or ca. 1747 according to ages given in 1776 and 1800, in Baltimore County; elder son. NATIVE: at least fourth generation. RESIDED: in Baltimore (later became Bush River Lower Hundred, Harford) County until at least 1779; Baltimore Town, Baltimore County, by 1781 until at least 1787; Harford County by 1793; Baltimore City by 1797 to death. FAMILY BACKGROUND. FATHER: Henry Wilson, Sr. (ca. 1721-1799), of Harford County and Baltimore City, a Quaker. MOTHER: Priscilla (ca. 1714-?), daughter of Samuel Gover and wife Elizaeth (?-1764). BROTHER: William (1758-?). SISTERS: Priscilla (ca. 1749-?), who married in 1769 John Worthington (ca. 1734-?); Rachel, who married first, in 1771, Samuel Harris (?-1778) of Calvert County, and second, in 1778, Gerard Hopkins (ca. 1743-1800); Elizabeth, who married Gideon Dare of Calvert County; and Cassandra (ca. 1763-?), who married John Stump. MARRIED on January 3, 1771, Margaret (ca. 1749-1800), daughter of William Harris of Calvert County. Her brothers included William; Samuel (?-by 1778), who married in 1771 Rachel Wilson. CHILDREN. SONS: Henry (ca. 1772-1819), a merchant in Baltimore City and New Orleans, U.S. Consul to L'Orient in 1816, and to Nantes by 1817; William (ca. 1774-?); Samuel (ca. 1775-?); Richard; John; Thomas; and Gerard. At least three of his sons were lost at sea. DAUGHTERS: Priscilla, who married John McFaddon; Margaret, who married Robert Andrews; and Elizabeth. PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCA-TION: literate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Although his father, his mother's family, and his wife's family were Quakers, and he was married in a Quaker meeting, Wilson took the Oath of Fidelity and joined the militia in 1776. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: Gent., by 1795. OCCUPATIONAL PRO-